

AUTOMATIC CREATION AND DELETION OF SHORTCUT ICONS

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

When an application program is started up, a
computer system automatically creates a shortcut icon to
10 be used to start up the application program, and
automatically deletes a shortcut icon that is determined
to be no longer wanted. Upon startup of the application
program, program startup information is created or
updated, and when a prestored shortcut creation condition
15 is satisfied, the shortcut icon for starting up the
application program is created. The created shortcut
icon for starting up the application program is deleted
if the computer system determines, based on a prestored
shortcut deletion condition and the program startup
20 information, that the shortcut icon is no longer wanted.